

## Message Text

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TAGS: PORG, OAU, UV  
SUBJECT: VISIT OF OAU SECRETARY GENERAL

1. OAU SEC GEN WILLIAM ETEKI M'BOUMOUA VISITED OUAGADOUGOU JANUARY 23-24. DURING HIS STAY IN OUAGADOUGOU, THE OAU SEC GEN CALLED ON PRESIDENT LAMIZANA AND ON FOREIGN MINISTER KARGOUGOU AND HELD WORKING SESSIONS WITH THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT, THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND TOURISM, AND WITH CILSS EXECUTIVE SECRETARY ALY CISSE.

2. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, PURPOSE OF VISIT WAS TO ASSESS FOOD NEEDS IN THE SAHEL AS A RESULT OF THE DROUGHT. THE INDEPENDENT DAILY "L'OBSERVATEUR" POINTED OUT THAT THE OAU HAS ONLY VERY LIMITED FUNDS AT ITS DISPOSAL AND CANNOT, THEREFORE, BE OF DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO THE SAHELIAN COUNTRIES. "L'OBSERVATEUR" CONCLUDED THAT THE VISIT WOULD, NEVERTHELESS, HELP TO BRING TO THE ATTENTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY THE CURRENT FOOD DEFICIT IN THE SAHEL. GRAHAM

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